

Lifted Spirits On The Side Line Cheyenne Ausborn (12) high-fives her varsity teammates before the game. "I want to be remembered for always being someone in the dugout (that can) make people laugh or smile even if we were down in a game or someone had a bad inning," Ausborn said. This was Ausborn's third year on varsity. *Photo By E. Cortes*



Wind It Up On The Dirt Before the game, Ashley Quinn (12) practices throwing and catching with her teammates. "I want to win it all. We got close last year and I want to complete that chapter and get that ring," Quinn said. The players practiced before every game to warm up and prevent any injuries. *Photo by E. Cortes*



Confident Catcher Behind Bat Crouched, Hunter Gilbreath (12) waits for the ball to come her way during the varsity game on Sept. 25. "I think what's important about being a catcher is that you and the pitcher are the core of the infield. The biggest thing I focus on is being confident [because] if I begin to doubt either the abilities of myself or my teammates, the whole team will recognize it and lose confidence," Gilbreath said. *Photo by E. Cortes*



Hit 'Em Up

Varsity softball reflects on their 2019 season

The varsity softball team had a fast paced season with 26 games that finished out at Regional on Oct. 19 against Legend High School. The team ended the season last year going to State and winning State runner-up. The softball team was rebuilding after losing quite a few seniors the 2019 season.

"I feel that the season is really good, it's definitely a different dynamic than last year but I think we're in the same trajectory just in a different way," Kelsey Bell (11) said.

Although it was not the same team as last year, the goal for the players like Hunter Gilbreath (12) was still the same.

"Obviously like any other high school team we want to win State, especially after last year we are coming back with a goal of winning State," Gilbreath said.

The varsity softball team put the time in running drills and focused on sharpening their field mechanics to beat any opponent that faced them.

"I feel our season is actually going pretty good, we started off on a rough road but now we are beginning to play as one and becoming a better team," Ryleigh Cruz (10) said.

The team worked hard in the off season to make sure it was another successful season. The goal for the girls, like every year, was to become one as a team and work hard on the field to lead the team to the playoffs and hopefully another state championship.

Jumping With Joy Riley Cruz (10) and teammate Adreanna Lance (12) jump together in celebration with excitement before the varsity game. "I just want to play hard each game with my teammates," Cruz said. Varsity softball ended their season with a 14-12 record. *Photo by E. Cortes*

Stick Together

A look into the district field hockey team



Swiping Turf At Legacy Gabrielle Giannou (10) blocks the ball during a game against Regis Jesuit HS on Sept. 16. "When I wear my Smoky Hill Jersey, I get a lot of looks and glares," Giannou said. Playing for a team that's not apart of your own school was a challenge for some athletes because there wasn't the same level of support. *Photo by J. Bressler*



Double Team On The Field Kelsey Kerr (10) runs after the opposing team after a penalty call. "It's fun to play for the team in general but at the same time it would be beneficial for CT to have its own team just because you feel a lot more included in assemblies and the yearbook," Kerr said. *Photo by J. Bressler*



Stick Skills On The Line Brooklyn McLroy (9) pushes the ball towards her teams' goal during the game on Sept. 16. "I wanted to play field hockey because of my sister," McLroy said. This was McLroy's first year playing. *Photo by J. Bressler*

Team, Dream

JV softball kicks off their 2019 season



Pitch In On The Field The junior varsity softball team has kicked off their season with a sense of togetherness. "I feel like the season is really good we all have good chemistry and we are doing well as a team together," Lilia Siders (10) said. After completing the throw, Siders went to the back of the line. *Photo by E. Cortes*



In The Dugout During the lineup, Lucille Herrick (11) high-fives her JV teammates. "As a team I wanna make sure we stay positive and we spread positivity to others around starting with my team," Herrick said. The high-five attempt ended up hitting each other in the face. *Photo By E. Cortes*



Crouching Behind Home Plate With quick hands, Haylie Wenke (9) catches a strike during the JV game. "I want to go as a team to stay undefeated. We already are consistently working hard each day at practice," Wenke said. Wenke later was praised for the strikeout. *Photo by E. Cortes*



Home Run At Home Base Araceli Ceja (10) swings at the ball after a promising pitch. "I'm always relaxed and focused on what's going on (when I'm on) the plate rather than the cheering and everything else going on around me," Ceja said. Ceja was able to make it to second base with ease. *Photo by E. Cortes*

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